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SUBJ: ISRAELI TRAVEL TAX

REF: TEL AVIV 6698; GOI TAX ON TRAVEL OF USIEF GRANTEES

1. EMBASSY HAS NOT RECEIVED REPLY TO DIPLOMATIC NOTE OF NOVEMBER 19 REGARDING IMPOSITION OF 15 PER CENT TAX WHICH AFFECTS PURCHASE OF TRANSPORTATION BY USIEF AND WHICH IS IN CONTRAVENTION ARTICLE NINE, JUNE 1962 AGREEMENT.
 2. FORTUNATELY FOUNDATION HAS NOT HAD TO PURCHASE TRAVEL IN THE PAST COUPLE MONTHS. HOWEVER IT NOW SHOULD BUY TICKET FOR PROGRAM YEAR 1974 D/B SCHLEIFMANN AND FOR FIVE OR SIX INTER-COUNTRY GRANTEES AND WILL SOON NEED PURCHASE TICKETS FOR SOME RETURNING PRIOR YEAR ISRAELI GRANTEES.
 3. IT IS FOUNDATION'S UNDERSTANDING THAT IT SHOULD NOT BUY TICKETS AND PAY TAX WITH THE HOPE IN AN EVENTUAL FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT WHICH WOULD PROVIDE FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TAX PAYMENT. IT COULD ASK MS SCHLEIFMANN TO PAY THE TAX AND HOPE FOR REIMBURSEMENT AS EMBASSY DID WITH IV GRANTEE ROSOLIO. SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT COULD NOT WORK HOWEVER WITH AMERICAN INTER-COUNTRY GRANTEES.
 4. THE FOUNDATION WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S GUIDANCE ON THIS MATTER, IN AS MUCH AS REMEDIAL ACTION ON PART OF GOI I.E. TO RESCIND IMPOSITION OF TAX IN VIOLATION
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BI-NATIONAL AGREEMENT, HAS NOT BEEN IMMEDIATE.

5. FOR DEPARTMENT'S INFORMATION: SUGGESTION FOR CHANGE IN TAX
STATUS CAME FROM MINFIN. KNESSET FINANCE COMMITTEE'S
APPROVAL A PREREQUISITE. HENCE REVERSAL OF RULING WILL
REQUIRE SAME KNESSET'S APPROVAL.
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